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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: BARANOVA ET AL.
SERIAL NO.: 09/076,956
FILED: MAY 13, 1998
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF NUCLEIC
ACIDS ON A SOLID SUPPORT AND
COMPOUNDS WHICH ARE USEFUL IN
PARTICULAR AS SOLID SUPPORTS IN THE
SAID PROCESS

EXAMINER:
ART UNIT: 1623

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Applicant calls the Examiner's attention to the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, copies enclosed, which may be material to examination of the above identified application.

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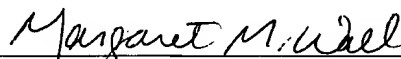
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Some of the references submitted herewith were submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement filed September 25, 2002. Applicants hereby withdraw the 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(2) certification made on September 25, 2002, with respect to those references.

Respectfully submitted,



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